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May 15th, 1849.

Vice President MORTON in the Chair.

Dr. Leidy read "Some remarks on the fragments of the *Tapirus Americanus fossilis*, deposited in the collection of the Academy by the late Dr. William M. Carpenter, of New Orleans." Referred to a committee consisting of Drs. Hallowell, Morton, and Keller.

May 22d.

Mr. ASHMEAD in the Chair.

A letter was read from the Edinburgh Geological Society, dated Leith, April 20th, 1849, acknowledging the receipt of recent numbers of the publications of the Academy.

Dr. Leidy read a paper by Prof. Haldeman, intended for publication in the Journal, describing new species of Coleoptera of the family Cryptocephalinae; an abstract of which paper was published in the number of the Proceedings for March and April, 1849. Referred to the former committee, viz., Drs. Zantzinger, Griffith, and Watson.

May 27th.

Dr. BRIDGES in the Chair.

The Committee to whom was referred Prof. Haldeman's paper, read at last meeting, reported in favor of publication in the Journal.

The Committee appointed to superintend the printing of a new edition of the By-Laws of the Academy, reported that 250 copies had been printed, and were ready for distribution.

The resignation of Dr. William Gambel as recording Secretary, and as a member of the Publication Committee, was read, Dr. Gambel having left Philadelphia for California, where he proposes remaining for one or two years. On motion the same was accepted, and the election to supply the vacancies deferred until the next meeting for business.

ELECTION.

Bernard Henry, M. D., U. S. N., and Henry Belknap, Esq., were elected *Members* of the Academy.

June 5th.

Vice President MORTON in the Chair.

A letter was read from the Lyceum of Natural History of New York, dated April 24th, 1849, acknowledging the receipt of late numbers of the Proceedings.

The Chairman announced the receipt of a letter from Dr. Gibbes, of